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Applicant statistics: June deadline applicants, placed June deadline applicants, all placed applicants, June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population, all placed applicants per 10,000 population

Application statistics: June deadline applications, offers, offer rate, average offer rate, percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate, contribution of group to the average offer rate

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- Applicants, placed applicants, applications and offers are rounded to the nearest 5.
- Applicants/placed applicants per 10,000 population figures are reported as 0 if the applicant/placed applicant figures are rounded to 0.
- All statistics related to the offer rate are not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 10. The percentage point difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate is not reported when the number of applications for a group is less than 50.
- Offer rates are reported as 0% if there are fewer than 5 offers, and 100% if the number of offers is within 5 of the number of applications. When the offer rate is reported as 0% or 100%, it is reported in italics.

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P.1 18 year old applicants

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	5,465	6,015	5,965	5,875	5,410	4,735
Placed June deadline applicants	925	1,210	1,135	1,060	965	1,065
All placed applicants	1,060	1,330	1,295	1,210	1,100	1,180
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	72.6	78.5	79.6	79.3	74.9	66.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000	12.3	15.8	15.2	14.3	13.3	15.0
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	14.1	17.3	17.3	16.3	15.3	16.7

P.2 18 year old applications

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	5,860	6,525	6,430	6,275	5,805	5,105
Offers	3,905	4,760	4,635	5,485	5,340	4,680
Offer rate	66.7%	73.0%	72.1%	87.4%	92.0%	91.7%

P.3 18 year old applicants by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	2,265	2,335	2,255	2,105	1,890	1,630
	Women	3,200	3,685	3,710	3,770	3,520	3,105
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	445	515	460	380	310	365
	Women	475	690	675	680	655	700
All placed applicants	Men	495	560	505	420	345	405
	Women	570	770	790	785	755	775
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	58.5	59.5	58.7	55.5	51.0	44.9
	Women	87.4	98.6	101.6	104.4	100.0	89.9
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Men	11.5	13.1	12.0	10.0	8.4	10.0
	Women	13.0	18.5	18.4	18.9	18.6	20.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Men	12.8	14.2	13.2	11.1	9.3	11.2
	Women	15.5	20.6	21.6	21.8	21.5	22.5

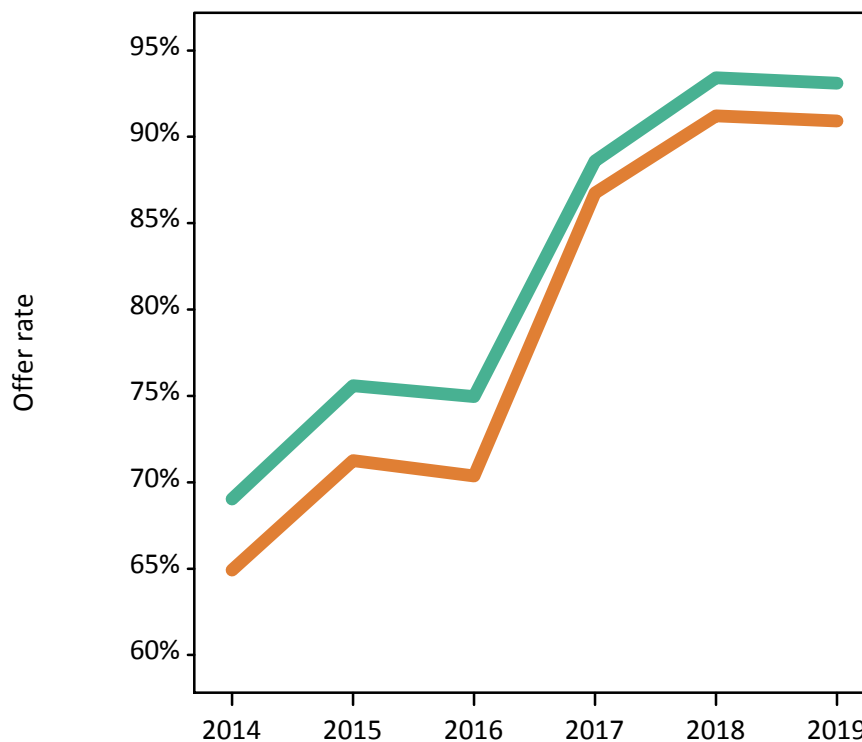
P.4 18 year old applications by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	2,495	2,615	2,470	2,290	2,050	1,780
	Women	3,365	3,905	3,960	3,985	3,760	3,325
Offers	Men	1,720	1,980	1,850	2,025	1,915	1,660
	Women	2,185	2,785	2,785	3,455	3,430	3,025
Offer rate	Men	69.0%	75.6%	75.0%	88.6%	93.4%	93.1%
	Women	64.9%	71.3%	70.4%	86.8%	91.2%	90.9%
Average offer rate	Men	70.6%	77.2%	75.7%	88.5%	92.9%	93.3%
	Women	63.8%	70.2%	69.9%	86.8%	91.5%	90.8%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Men	-1.6	-1.6	-0.7	0.1	0.6	-0.2
	Women	1.2	1.1	0.4	-0.0	-0.3	0.1
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Men	0.639	0.614	0.600	0.569	0.560	0.551
	Women	0.733	0.741	0.750	0.753	0.760	0.759

P.5 18 year old offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

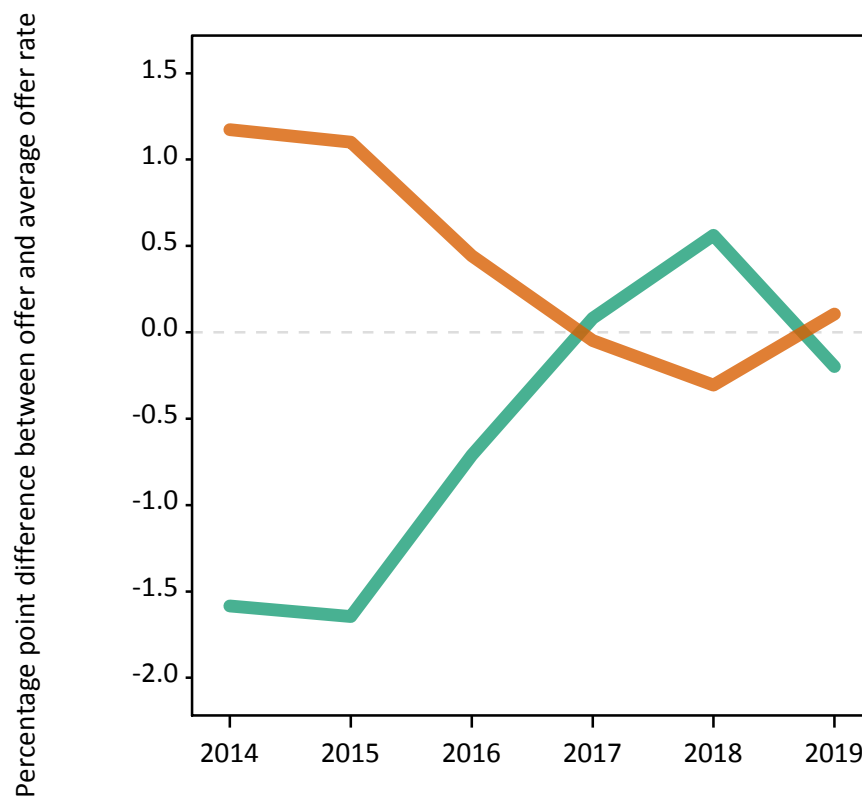
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P.6 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by sex

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

Men
Women



P.7 18 year old applicants by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	780	935	940	900	810	725
	Quintile 2	1,160	1,220	1,280	1,195	1,190	1,025
	Quintile 3	1,290	1,425	1,315	1,355	1,170	1,095
	Quintile 4	1,105	1,240	1,225	1,205	1,125	960
	Quintile 5	1,125	1,185	1,200	1,210	1,100	905
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	130	195	175	170	140	155
	Quintile 2	190	235	255	225	215	235
	Quintile 3	215	270	235	240	205	220
	Quintile 4	190	250	255	215	220	240
	Quintile 5	190	255	215	205	180	205
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	155	225	200	190	155	175
	Quintile 2	220	250	285	260	235	255
	Quintile 3	245	295	270	265	245	235
	Quintile 4	230	270	295	245	245	275
	Quintile 5	215	285	245	245	215	235
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	55.5	66.0	69.2	67.3	62.4	57.3
	Quintile 2	80.7	83.4	90.0	85.5	87.8	77.5
	Quintile 3	88.0	95.2	89.7	93.7	82.9	79.2
	Quintile 4	72.6	80.1	80.4	79.6	76.2	66.2
	Quintile 5	66.1	68.3	69.5	70.5	65.4	54.4
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	9.3	13.8	12.9	12.9	10.8	12.2
	Quintile 2	13.4	16.0	17.9	16.1	15.7	17.7
	Quintile 3	14.8	17.9	16.0	16.4	14.7	16.0
	Quintile 4	12.6	16.3	16.9	14.4	14.9	16.7
	Quintile 5	11.3	14.7	12.5	12.0	10.7	12.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	Quintile 1	11.0	15.8	14.7	14.1	11.9	13.7
	Quintile 2	15.2	17.3	20.1	18.5	17.4	19.3
	Quintile 3	16.7	19.8	18.5	18.4	17.5	17.2
	Quintile 4	15.2	17.4	19.3	16.3	16.7	18.9
	Quintile 5	12.5	16.5	14.3	14.3	12.8	14.1

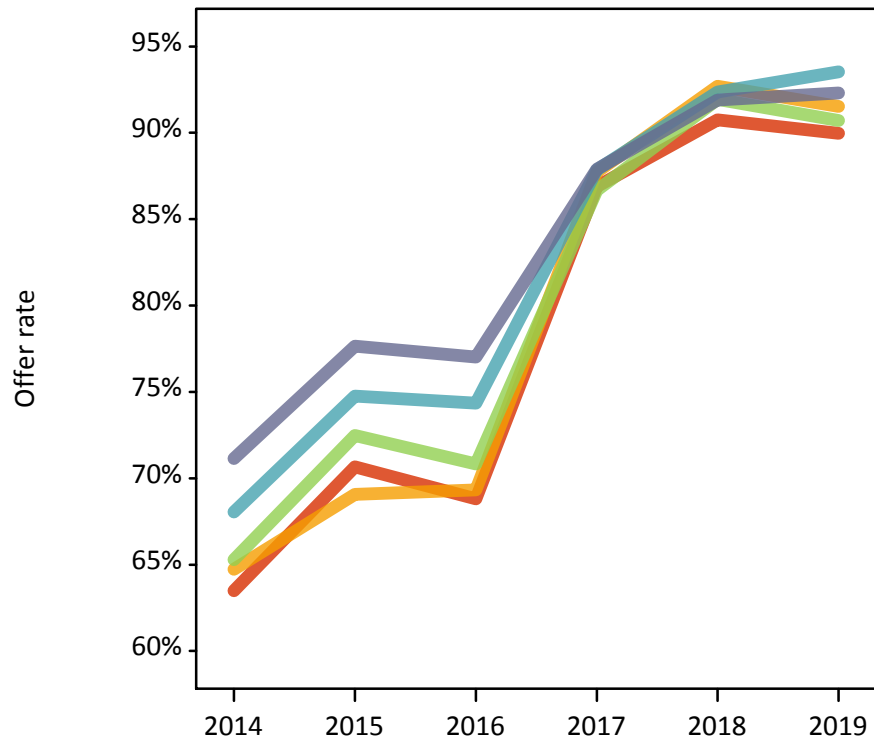
P.8 18 year old applications by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	840	1,020	995	960	875	775
	Quintile 2	1,245	1,335	1,405	1,290	1,285	1,110
	Quintile 3	1,385	1,535	1,410	1,435	1,250	1,165
	Quintile 4	1,190	1,345	1,320	1,300	1,215	1,035
	Quintile 5	1,190	1,280	1,290	1,270	1,160	990
Offers	Quintile 1	535	720	685	835	795	700
	Quintile 2	805	920	975	1,130	1,195	1,015
	Quintile 3	905	1,115	1,000	1,245	1,150	1,055
	Quintile 4	810	1,005	980	1,145	1,125	970
	Quintile 5	850	995	990	1,120	1,065	910
Offer rate	Quintile 1	63.5%	70.7%	68.8%	86.9%	90.8%	90.0%
	Quintile 2	64.7%	69.1%	69.3%	87.7%	92.7%	91.5%
	Quintile 3	65.3%	72.5%	70.8%	86.7%	91.9%	90.7%
	Quintile 4	68.0%	74.8%	74.4%	87.9%	92.4%	93.5%
	Quintile 5	71.1%	77.6%	77.0%	87.9%	91.9%	92.3%
Average offer rate	Quintile 1	64.1%	71.0%	71.4%	87.2%	91.6%	91.9%
	Quintile 2	66.0%	70.3%	69.3%	87.8%	92.3%	92.4%
	Quintile 3	66.1%	72.7%	70.8%	86.8%	91.9%	91.0%
	Quintile 4	67.7%	74.5%	73.9%	87.8%	92.1%	91.5%
	Quintile 5	68.8%	76.1%	75.5%	87.6%	92.0%	91.6%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	Quintile 1	-0.6	-0.3	-2.6	-0.3	-0.8	-1.9
	Quintile 2	-1.3	-1.3	-0.0	-0.1	0.4	-0.8
	Quintile 3	-0.8	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.3
	Quintile 4	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.3	2.0
	Quintile 5	2.3	1.6	1.5	0.3	-0.1	0.7
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	Quintile 1	0.234	0.240	0.253	0.254	0.250	0.253
	Quintile 2	0.294	0.287	0.307	0.292	0.314	0.327
	Quintile 3	0.312	0.316	0.308	0.310	0.304	0.328
	Quintile 4	0.288	0.295	0.299	0.295	0.298	0.304
	Quintile 5	0.317	0.295	0.306	0.301	0.305	0.314

P.9 18 year old offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 10 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

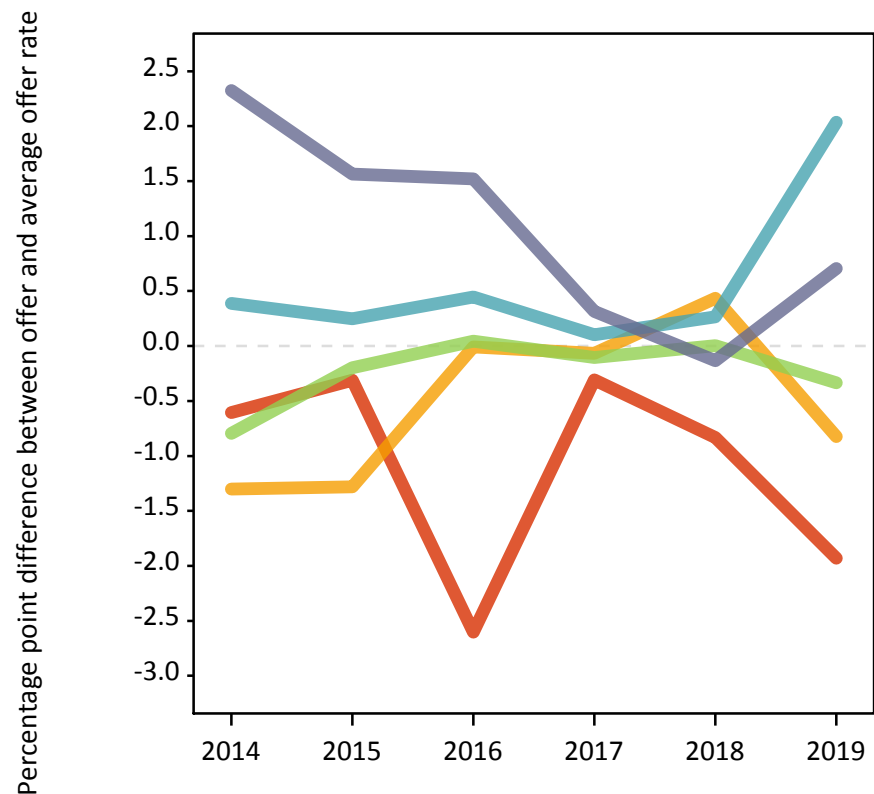
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- Quintile 5



P.10 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by POLAR4 quintile

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

- Quintile 1
- Quintile 2
- Quintile 3
- Quintile 4
- Quintile 5



P.11 18 year old applicants by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	4,710	5,085	5,090	4,965	4,510	3,930
	Black	185	255	205	200	205	170
	Asian	365	405	415	420	430	385
	Mixed	175	225	225	240	200	190
	Other	25	30	20	40	40	40
Placed June deadline applicants	White	835	1,085	1,040	935	860	945
	Black	20	40	20	35	15	25
	Asian	30	40	40	45	40	50
	Mixed	35	45	30	35	35	35
	Other	0	0	0	5	5	5
All placed applicants	White	955	1,190	1,170	1,055	980	1,045
	Black	25	45	30	45	20	30
	Asian	40	40	50	60	50	55
	Mixed	40	50	40	45	40	40
	Other	0	5	5	10	5	5
June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	76.4	81.6	84.2	83.6	78.9	71.1
	Black	60.4	80.7	66.1	62.9	64.4	52.1
	Asian	53.5	56.9	57.4	56.8	56.8	49.2
	Mixed	61.2	72.6	71.5	74.8	62.0	57.1
	Other	26.9	31.1	22.1	39.8	37.3	34.7
Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population	White	13.5	17.4	17.2	15.8	15.1	17.1
	Black	7.3	12.6	7.0	11.1	5.0	8.2
	Asian	4.4	5.5	5.3	6.3	5.6	6.4
	Mixed	12.5	13.9	10.2	11.2	10.5	10.0
	Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.9	3.7	5.3
All placed applicants per 10,000 population	White	15.5	19.1	19.3	17.8	17.1	18.9
	Black	8.9	13.5	10.2	13.7	6.5	9.7
	Asian	5.8	5.8	6.7	8.2	6.5	7.2
	Mixed	13.6	15.6	13.3	13.4	12.3	12.2
	Other	0.0	3.1	4.0	7.8	6.5	5.3

P.12 18 year old applications by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	5,070	5,530	5,530	5,320	4,875	4,265
	Black	190	275	215	200	210	180
	Asian	375	420	420	435	445	400
	Mixed	195	250	235	255	210	200
	Other	25	35	20	45	40	40
Offers	White	3,400	4,100	4,050	4,650	4,485	3,920
	Black	115	175	130	170	195	165
	Asian	250	280	280	385	410	355
	Mixed	125	175	155	225	190	180
	Other	10	20	15	40	40	35
Offer rate	White	67.0%	74.2%	73.2%	87.5%	92.0%	92.0%
	Black	61.1%	63.9%	62.0%	84.7%	91.0%	90.7%
	Asian	67.0%	66.5%	66.3%	87.9%	92.8%	89.3%
	Mixed	64.8%	70.3%	67.0%	87.2%	91.0%	91.9%
	Other	36.0%	57.6%	77.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average offer rate	White	66.6%	73.5%	72.8%	87.4%	92.0%	91.8%
	Black	65.0%	69.5%	66.9%	83.6%	91.6%	91.1%
	Asian	68.3%	70.1%	66.6%	88.2%	92.1%	90.1%
	Mixed	67.6%	71.3%	71.3%	87.8%	92.5%	93.1%
	Other	52.9%	61.5%	84.1%	92.7%	91.7%	93.3%
Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate	White	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2
	Black	-3.9	-5.6	-4.9	1.0	-0.5	-0.5
	Asian	-1.3	-3.6	-0.3	-0.3	0.6	-0.9
	Mixed	-2.9	-1.0	-4.3	-0.6	-1.5	-1.1
	Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution of group to the average offer rate	White	0.883	0.867	0.878	0.867	0.864	0.865
	Black	0.132	0.155	0.123	0.109	0.147	0.153
	Asian	0.203	0.185	0.186	0.195	0.197	0.236
	Mixed	0.158	0.135	0.123	0.135	0.152	0.181
	Other	0.072	0.105	0.161	0.125	0.172	0.089

P.13 18 year old offer rate by ethnic group

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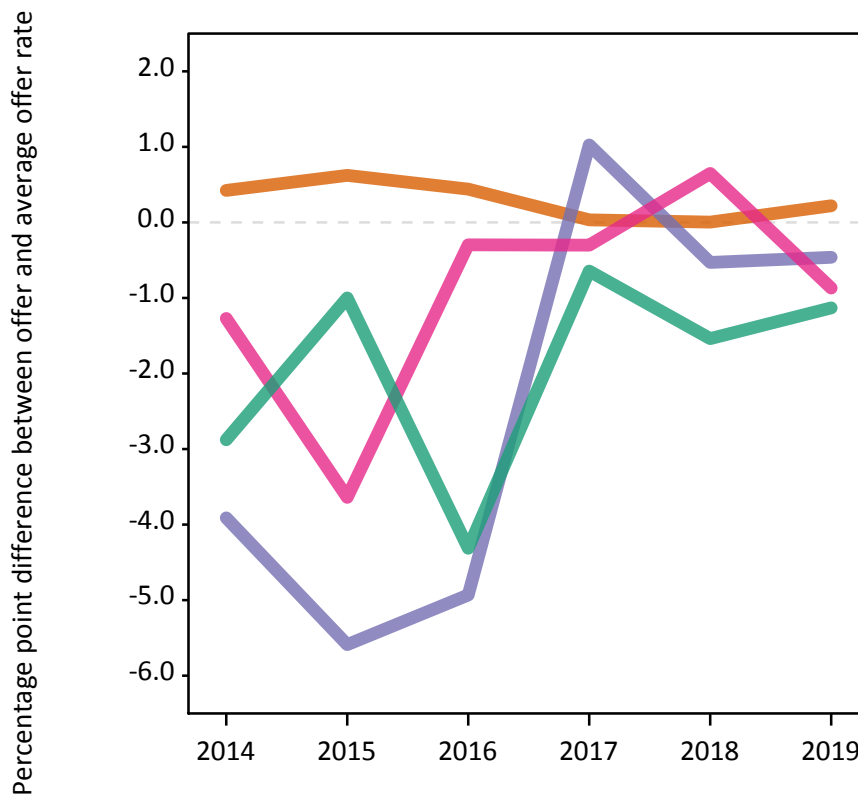
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- Asian
- Mixed
- Other



P.14 Percentage point difference between 18 year old offer rate and average offer rate by ethnic group

Note: The line for a group is not plotted when that group made fewer than 50 applications in any of the years from 2014-2019.

- White
- Black
- Asian
- Mixed
- Other



P.15 Applicants (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	11,470	12,125	11,760	11,045	9,820	8,790
Placed June deadline applicants	2,120	2,600	2,455	2,380	2,200	2,275
All placed applicants	2,685	3,075	3,130	2,985	2,700	2,755

P.16 Applications (all ages)

Statistic	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	12,395	13,185	12,700	11,895	10,630	9,540
Offers	6,760	8,045	7,640	9,630	9,110	8,030
Offer rate	54.5%	61.0%	60.2%	81.0%	85.7%	84.2%

P.17 Applicants (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Men	4,275	4,300	4,150	3,710	3,175	2,800
	Women	7,195	7,825	7,610	7,330	6,645	5,990
Placed June deadline applicants	Men	835	915	880	755	600	660
	Women	1,285	1,685	1,580	1,625	1,600	1,615
All placed applicants	Men	1,005	1,050	1,035	895	730	790
	Women	1,680	2,025	2,095	2,090	1,965	1,970

P.18 Applications (all ages) by sex

Statistic	Sex	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Men	4,695	4,800	4,545	4,070	3,480	3,060
	Women	7,700	8,390	8,155	7,825	7,150	6,480
Offers	Men	2,825	3,215	3,040	3,435	3,085	2,700
	Women	3,935	4,835	4,600	6,195	6,025	5,330
Offer rate	Men	60.2%	67.0%	66.9%	84.5%	88.7%	88.1%
	Women	51.1%	57.6%	56.4%	79.1%	84.2%	82.3%

P.19 Applicants (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	1,935	2,050	1,995	1,870	1,680	1,505
	Quintile 2	2,450	2,550	2,580	2,305	2,145	1,950
	Quintile 3	2,665	2,805	2,595	2,535	2,180	2,025
	Quintile 4	2,210	2,385	2,320	2,160	1,895	1,655
	Quintile 5	2,195	2,310	2,245	2,145	1,880	1,590
Placed June deadline applicants	Quintile 1	350	415	395	390	370	375
	Quintile 2	440	500	525	500	475	490
	Quintile 3	485	575	540	525	490	505
	Quintile 4	435	560	520	490	440	460
	Quintile 5	405	540	470	470	415	420
All placed applicants	Quintile 1	440	500	505	490	455	460
	Quintile 2	565	585	665	635	580	580
	Quintile 3	615	695	685	645	610	605
	Quintile 4	555	650	660	595	545	565
	Quintile 5	500	635	610	610	495	510

P.20 Applications (all ages) by POLAR4 quintile

Statistic	POLAR4 quintile	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	Quintile 1	2,085	2,220	2,145	1,995	1,830	1,625
	Quintile 2	2,645	2,785	2,825	2,505	2,335	2,105
	Quintile 3	2,860	3,035	2,785	2,725	2,345	2,180
	Quintile 4	2,410	2,605	2,510	2,345	2,045	1,805
	Quintile 5	2,380	2,505	2,410	2,295	2,030	1,745
Offers	Quintile 1	1,015	1,290	1,220	1,555	1,525	1,310
	Quintile 2	1,400	1,585	1,630	2,005	2,015	1,780
	Quintile 3	1,575	1,830	1,630	2,185	2,000	1,805
	Quintile 4	1,350	1,685	1,555	1,965	1,790	1,560
	Quintile 5	1,405	1,640	1,595	1,895	1,745	1,510
Offer rate	Quintile 1	48.7%	58.2%	56.8%	77.9%	83.2%	80.5%
	Quintile 2	52.9%	57.0%	57.7%	80.1%	86.3%	84.6%
	Quintile 3	55.1%	60.2%	58.6%	80.3%	85.3%	83.0%
	Quintile 4	56.1%	64.6%	61.8%	83.9%	87.6%	86.4%
	Quintile 5	59.1%	65.5%	66.2%	82.4%	86.0%	86.6%

P.21 Applicants (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applicants	White	9,375	9,665	9,510	8,955	7,855	6,950
	Black	755	910	795	700	585	595
	Asian	800	900	845	815	845	745
	Mixed	425	505	490	435	400	365
	Other	75	90	70	75	85	95
Placed June deadline applicants	White	1,910	2,300	2,190	2,075	1,925	1,980
	Black	75	115	80	105	85	85
	Asian	65	85	80	105	90	110
	Mixed	60	85	90	70	75	70
	Other	5	10	10	10	10	20
All placed applicants	White	2,390	2,695	2,740	2,560	2,315	2,370
	Black	105	150	115	155	115	125
	Asian	90	105	125	135	125	135
	Mixed	75	100	115	90	95	95
	Other	5	15	15	15	15	20

P.22 Applications (all ages) by ethnic group

Statistic	Ethnic group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
June deadline applications	White	10,190	10,580	10,380	9,715	8,575	7,605
	Black	785	955	815	715	615	620
	Asian	830	940	870	845	875	775
	Mixed	470	560	515	475	420	390
	Other	75	95	70	80	85	100
Offers	White	5,770	6,740	6,520	7,910	7,400	6,470
	Black	280	380	295	515	485	460
	Asian	450	540	485	700	750	650
	Mixed	215	310	280	385	360	325
	Other	25	40	35	65	70	85
Offer rate	White	56.6%	63.7%	62.8%	81.4%	86.3%	85.1%
	Black	35.5%	39.9%	36.3%	72.1%	78.9%	74.5%
	Asian	53.9%	57.6%	55.9%	82.9%	85.7%	83.9%
	Mixed	46.2%	55.5%	54.1%	81.0%	85.1%	82.9%
	Other	32.5%	42.3%	48.5%	80.8%	80.5%	84.0%

Technical Notes and Definitions

UCAS undergraduate scheme

Adjustment

Adjustment allows applicants who have met and exceeded the terms of their conditional firm offer to seek and find a place at another provider whilst keeping their place at their original firm choice provider.

Clearing

Clearing is a route for applicants that are not placed and holding no offers to find a place on courses with vacancies.

Cycle year

The UCAS application cycle which runs from September to October the following year. For example the 2019 cycle runs from September 2018 through to October 2019.

End of cycle

The point in the cycle to which the numbers in this report refer, and the point at which the cycle is closed such that no more applications or offers can be made, and no more applicants can be placed. Numbers reported at the end of cycle exclude information on a small number of applicants who cancelled during the cycle.

Extra

Applicants who are unsuccessful in obtaining an offer or decline all offers may be eligible to apply through Extra, where they can apply to one further course at a time. Extra operates from 25 February until early July. It provides applicants who are eligible the possibility of obtaining an offer before exam results are published and Clearing starts.

June 30 deadline

The deadline for main scheme applications. Applicants who apply after this date will go directly into Clearing.

Record of Prior Acceptance (RPA)

RPA is an acceptance route used when a provider informs UCAS of applicants it has accepted outside of the normal application process (e.g. individuals who have applied directly to the provider).

Reporting groups

Ethnic group

High level grouping of ethnic origin as declared by the applicant: 'White', 'Black', 'Asian', 'Mixed', 'Other', 'Unknown'. Applicants who declare themselves as 'Unknown' ethnic origin are not reported in these tables, but are included in the associated csv data file.

POLAR4 quintile

Developed by OfS, POLAR4 classifies small areas across the UK into five groups according to their level of young participation in Higher Education. Each of these groups represents around 20 per cent of young people and is ranked from Quintile 1 (areas with the lowest young participation rates, considered as the most disadvantaged) to Quintile 5 (highest young participation rates, considered most advantaged). POLAR4 is based on the participation rates of young people between between 2009-10 and 2013-14 if they entered higher education aged 18, or between 2010-11 and 2014-15 if they entered aged 19, therefore is most suitable for applicants aged 19 and under. These groups are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant at the time of their application. If a UK postcode is invalid, considered unsafe for measurement or there is no link to Census geography possible then the applicant is not assigned to a quintile. Applicants with no POLAR4 quintile are not reported.

Sex

Sex as declared by the applicant.

SIMD 2016 quintile

Scottish index of multiple deprivation (SIMD) identifies small area concentrations of multiple deprivation across all of Scotland, providing a relative measure of deprivation amongst 6505 small areas (data zones) based on 7 socio-economic domains. These small areas are classified into five groups ranked from Quintile 1 (considered the most deprived) to Quintile 5 (considered least deprived), with equal populations in each quintile. Quintiles are assigned using the postcode declared by the applicant, applicants declaring invalid postcodes are classified as 'Not assigned' and are not reported.

SIMD is only defined for applicants domiciled in Scotland, therefore any applicants domiciled outside of Scotland cannot be assigned to an SIMD quintile and so are not reported for this measure.

SIMD is only reported for providers in Scotland. Application and entry rates by SIMD are reported in the 2019 End of Cycle Report and the 2019 cycle January deadline application rate report.

Statistics reported in the tables

All placed applicants

The number of applicants placed for entry into higher education at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA.

All placed applicants per 10,000 population

The number of total UK domiciled 18 year old placed applicants for entry into higher education at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their choices, including any choices made through Extra, or via Adjustment, Clearing or RPA. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Average offer rate

The offer rate that you might expect if the predicted grades and subject choice of applicants were the only factors that influenced whether an applicant was made an offer by the provider. The average offer rate is calculated by dividing applicants according to their specific combination of grades (for A levels the best three predicted grades are used, for BTECs, International Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers, predicted grades along with any grades already achieved upon applying are used) and subject choice. For each combination the number of main scheme offers is divided by the number of main scheme applications, to give an overall offer rate. This is then multiplied by the number of applications made by the group for which the average offer rate is being calculated (for example POLAR4 quintile 1), to give an average number of offers for that group. These average number of offers are then added together across all combinations of predicted grade and subject and divided by the number of main scheme applications from the group to give the average offer rate.

The average offer rate does not attempt to control for any other factors that may play a part in the decision to make an offer, such as the subject of the qualifications studied, their relevance to a course, or the grade in each subject; higher numbers of A levels being studied; the exact profile of grades predicted; personal statements; teacher references; interviews; or any other criteria (such as work experience or portfolios) that may be part of the admissions decision.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Contribution of group to the average offer rate

The way in which the average offer rate is defined means that the pattern of application and offers of a group (for example POLAR4 quintile 1) will always contribute, in part, to the average offer rate for that group. When this contribution is large, the average offer rate will mainly reflect the patterns for the group, meaning that the value of the average offer rate will be similar to the offer rate, the percentage point difference statistic will be small, and any real difference between the offer rate and what might be expected given the predicted grades and subject choices of the applicants will be difficult to detect.

Values of the contribution of group to the average offer rate range between 0 and 1. The closer the value is to 1 the greater the contribution a group makes to its own average offer rate.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Placed June deadline applicants

An applicant who has been placed for entry into higher education at the provider through a June deadline application.

Placed June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old placed June deadline applicants at the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, that were placed at the provider through one of their June deadline applications. It is an alternative way of expressing the entry rate to a provider, but for placed June deadline applicants only. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of placed June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will be placed at a provider through a June deadline application.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

June deadline applications

An application (or choice) to a course in higher education to the provider that is made by the June 30 deadline. Each applicant can make up to five choices this way. The number of June deadline applications does not include choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs. Applications made to October deadline courses received after the October deadline are not included in these statistics.

June deadline applicants

The number of applicants that made at least one application to the provider by the June 30 deadline.

June deadline applicants per 10,000 population

The number of UK domiciled 18 year old June deadline applicants to the provider divided by the number of UK 18 year olds in the population, multiplied by 10,000. This gives the number of 18 year olds, for every 10,000 in the population, who applied by the June 30 deadline. It is equivalent to the application rate. By referencing the underlying population this statistic shows how the number of June deadline applicants is changing in relation to the available pool of potential 18 year old applicants and so gives the chance that somebody from the group will apply to a provider by the June 30 deadline.

This statistic is only reported for 18 year olds.

Offers

An offer is defined as a provider's decision in response to an application to offer a place to an applicant, often subject to the applicant satisfying academic and/or other criteria, via a June deadline application (i.e. does not cover choices made through the following routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs).

Offer rate

The number of offers made divided by the number of June deadline applications. This gives the proportion of all June deadline applications to the provider that received an offer.

Percentage point difference between offer rate and average offer rate

The offer rate minus the average offer rate.

The percentage point difference can be compared to the expected range of statistical variation resulting from the calculation of the average offer rate using the Average Offer Rate Lookup Table. Where the value of the percentage point difference lies outside of this range, the percentage point difference may be considered to represent a real difference between the offer rate and the average offer rate.

Other definitions

Age

This analysis uses country-specific age definitions that align with the cut off points for school and college cohorts within the different administrations of the UK. For England and Wales, ages are defined on the 31 August, for Northern Ireland on the 1 July and for Scotland on the 28 February the following year. Defining ages in this way matches the assignment of children to school cohorts. For applicants outside of the UK a cohort cut off of 31 August has been used. Numbers for applicants aged 17 and under are included in the tables that report numbers for all age groups. Providers in Scotland typically receive a higher proportion of applicants aged 17 and under compared to providers elsewhere in the UK.

Provider

A higher education provider - a university or college.

UK domiciled

Declared area of permanent residence within England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Applicants from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man are not included.